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REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6 and 28-33 are pending. By this Amendment, the specification is amended; the abstract is amended; claims 1, 2 and 4 are amended; claims 28-33 are added; and claims 7-27 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate the indication that claim 5 defines patentable subject matter. By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 5. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-4 are allowable.

It is also respectfully submitted that withdrawn claim 6 is also allowable by virtue of its dependence on claim 1. Applicants respectfully requests rejoinder and allowance of claim 6.


It is also respectfully submitted that new claims 28-33 are allowable by virtue of their dependence on claim 1.

In view of the above remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims are allowable and that the entire application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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